

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1 1. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ A household appliance
2 such as a dishwasher, a washing machine, or similar apparatus,
3 ~~with having~~ an addition unit to add for adding cleansing agent to
4 a cleaning liquid, ~~characterized in that the wherein the~~
5 improvement comprises an addition unit (9) ~~is~~ connected ~~with~~ by a
6 pressure line (7) ~~of to~~ a rinsing pump (2) to deliver a wash
7 liquid to ~~an the~~ addition unit (9) ~~in order to rinse out~~
8 ~~cleansing agent located in it for removing all or a part of said~~
9 cleansing agent disposed in said addition unit.

1 2. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that the further~~
3 comprising a suction line (17) of the rinsing pump (16) ~~is~~
4 connected ~~with~~ to a liquid reservoir (15).

1 3. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to claim 1 or 2 ~~one of the preceding claims,~~
3 characterized in that the suction line (6) of the rinsing pump
4 (2) is connected with a line or a collection basin (5) for

1 cleaning liquid.

1 4. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that a~~
3 claim 1 wherein said rinsing pump is a circulation pump (2)
4 ~~provided~~ for said addition unit (9) and for circulating the
5 cleaning liquid in the operation of the household appliance ~~is~~
~~provided as a rinsing pump for addition unit (9).~~

1 5. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 claim 1 or 4 further comprising a delivery line (7) ~~is provided~~
4 ~~that branches branching~~ off from ~~the~~ a liquid circuit of cleaning
5 liquid to deliver a partial flow of cleaning liquid (7) into the
6 addition unit, ~~in order to rinse out~~ for removing said cleansing
7 agent ~~located there.~~

1 6. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 claim 1 or 4 further comprising an on-off valve (8) ~~is provided~~

4 ~~for optional connection of~~ for connecting the addition unit (9)
5 with ~~the~~ a liquid circuit of the cleaning liquid.

1 7. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 claim 1 or 4 further comprising a control unit (11) ~~is provided~~
4 ~~which can dispense~~ for dispensing a partial quantity of the
5 cleansing agent located in the addition unit (9).

1 8. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 claim 1 further comprising an on-off valve (16) and a control
4 unit (11) for a time-dependent switching of the on-off valve and
5 a dispensing unit (12) ~~including~~ for dispensing a partial
6 quantity of the cleansing agent disposed in the addition unit (9)
7 ~~is provided which includes a control unit (11) for time dependent~~
8 ~~switching of the on-off valve (16).~~

1 9. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~

3 claim 8 further comprising a flowmeter (15) ~~is provided~~ for
4 quantity-dependent switching of the on-off valve (16).

1 10. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 ~~the~~ claim 1 further comprising a dispensing unit (12) includes
4 and a temperature sensor.

1 11. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 ~~the~~ claim 1 further comprising a dispensing unit (12) includes
4 and a sensor (10) ~~to determine for determining the concentration~~
5 of the cleansing agent ~~concentration~~.

1 12. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 claim 11 wherein the sensor (10) ~~to determine the cleansing agent~~
4 ~~concentration~~ is connected with the liquid exiting from the
5 addition unit (9) to determine the concentration of the cleansing
6 agent.

1 13. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 claim 11 wherein the sensor (10) ~~to measure the cleansing agent~~
4 ~~concentration~~ is connected ~~with~~ to the cleaning liquid ~~provided~~
5 for measuring the concentration of the cleansing agent in the
6 household appliance ~~for~~ during the cleaning process.

1 14. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 claim 11 wherein the sensor (10) ~~to determine the cleansing agent~~
4 ~~concentration~~ is ~~in the form of~~ a conductance sensor.

1 15. (Currently amended) ~~Household~~ The household appliance
2 according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~
3 claim 11 wherein the sensor (10) ~~to determine~~ for determining the
4 cleansing agent concentration ~~is simultaneously provided for~~
5 ~~other functions to control~~ also controls other functions of the
6 household appliance.

1 16. (New) An apparatus such as a dishwasher, washing
2 machine or similar appliance comprising:
3 (a) an addition unit (9) in a household apparatus for adding
4 a cleaning agent to a washing liquid;
5 (b) a pump (2) for pumping said washing liquid in said
6 household apparatus; and
7 (c) a conduit (7) connecting said pump with said addition
8 unit for removing all or part of said cleaning agent disposed in
9 said addition unit.

1 17. (New) A household cleaning apparatus such as a
2 dishwasher or a washing machine comprising:
3 (a) a cleaning agent addition unit;
4 (b) a pump for pumping a washing liquid in a first liquid
5 circuit in a household cleaning apparatus;
6 (c) a conduit connecting said pump with said cleaning agent
7 addition unit to provide a second liquid circuit in said
8 household cleaning appliance;
9 (d) an on-off valve disposed between said pump and said
10 cleaning agent addition unit;
11 (e) a control unit operating said on-off valve; and

12 (f) a sensor for measuring the concentration of a cleaning
13 agent in said household cleaning apparatus and for providing data
14 to said control unit.